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## **Via FOIA Online**

National Freedom of Information Officer  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2822T)  
Washington, DC 20460

## **RE: FOIA Request for Records Related to EPA's Peak Wet Weather Roundtable Virus Experts**

To Whom This May Concern:

This is a request for public records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552, as implemented by the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") at 40 C.F.R. Part 2.

### **Background**

On October 16, 2018, EPA HQ hosted the rescheduled *Blending Stakeholder Roundtable* to discuss blending including the protection of public health from bacteria and viruses during peak flows. To discuss virus impacts on human health in the context of blending and peak wet weather flows, EPA invited Kellogg Schwab (Johns Hopkins University) and Gregory Goblick (US FDA) to present at the Roundtable.

### **Request**

This request seeks:

1. Any communications between EPA and either Kellogg Schwab (Johns Hopkins University) or Gregory Goblick (US FDA) regarding the 2018 Blending Stakeholder Roundtable.
2. All records in EPA's possession showing that allowing facilities to incorporate blending to process greater peak wet weather flows is expected to present a public health threat to (1) the ability to supply safe potable drinking water, (2) body contact recreation designated uses, or (3) shellfish consumption designated uses.

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Please limit the search for records dated September 1, 2017 to present.

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Please contact the undersigned if the associated search and duplication costs are anticipated to exceed \$100.00. Please duplicate the records that are responsive to this request and send it to the undersigned at the above address. If the requested record is withheld based upon any asserted privilege, please identify the basis for the non-disclosure.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact this office so as to ensure that only the necessary document is duplicated.

Respectfully,

//s// Ben Kirby  
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